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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :

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ATTN: APPLICATION DIVISION

SERIAL NO: NEW APPLICATION :
(Based on PCT/EP99/05137)

FILED: HERewith :

FOR: NEW INJECTABLE FORMULATIONS:
CONTAINING RAMOPLANIN

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
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SIR:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

--3. (Amended) A formulation according to claim 2 wherein the fat emulsion product comprises as an oil phase vegetal oils [such as soybean, cottonseed oil, safflower oil or a mixture thereof], an emulsifier based on phospholipids, [preferably from egg source such as egg lecithin, soybean lecithin or a mixture thereof], and an additive as osmotic agent [such as sorbitol, glycerol, xylitol or a mixture thereof].